

**Amendment and Response**

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**REMARKS**

The following remarks are made in response to the Office Action mailed October 14, 2005. Claims 11-21 have been withdrawn from consideration. Claim 22 has been cancelled. Claims 1-10 have been allowed. Claim 22 were rejected. Claims 23 and 24 have been objected to. With this Response, claim 23 has been amended, and claim 25 has been added. Claims 1-10 and 23-25 remain pending in the application and are presented for reconsideration and allowance.

**Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 102**

The Examiner rejected claim 22 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by the Miyasaki et al. U.S. Publication No. 2003/0207536. Claim 22 is now cancelled rendering the rejection moot.

**Allowable Subject Matter**

Claims 1-10 are allowed.

The Examiner objected to claims 23 and 24 as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Applicant has so amended claim 23 such that it incorporates base claim 22, and such that it is now in proper form for allowance. Claim 24 and added claim 25 are dependent on allowable independent claim 23, and are thus also in proper form for allowance. Support for added claim 25 is found at least on page 24, line 14 through page 25, line 9, and in Figure 10.

**CONCLUSION**

In view of the above, Applicant respectfully submits that pending claims 1-10 and 23-25 are in form for allowance and are not taught or suggested by the cited references. Therefore, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections and allowance of claims 1-10 and 23-25 are respectfully requested.

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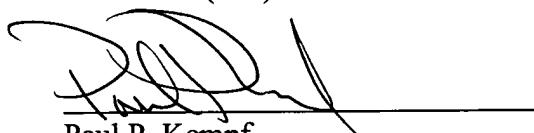
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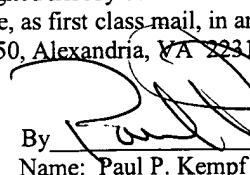
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